

CARR-1309

Fairmount School
2300 Fairmount Road
Hampstead (vicinity)

1899

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MARYLAND INVENTORY OF
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Fairmount School

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 2300 Fairmount Road

☐ not for publication

city, town Hampstead

☒ vicinity of

congressional district

state Maryland

county

Carroll

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Lola B. Reese

street & number 2300 Fairmount Road

telephone no.:

city, town Hampstead

state and zip code Maryland 21074

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Courthouse Annex

liber 186

street & number 55 North Court Street

folio 434

city, town Westminster

state Maryland

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date

☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

depository for survey records

city, town

state

7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		date of move _____

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Summary: The Fairmount Schoolhouse is a one-story, three-bay by three-bay, 6-1 common bond brick structure on a rubble stone foundation. It has a gable roof with corrugated metal covering and is situated with the gable end facing southeast, toward the road. All the windows are 4/4 double-hung sash with brick jack arches. The southeast elevation has a projecting one-bay vestibule added to the center bay entrance. The northwest elevation has an internal brick chimney centered on the ridge.

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The northwest elevation has an internal brick chimney centered on the ridge and an external CMU chimney south of it. Further south of this is an aluminum storm door. The northeast elevation has two foundation windows, one of which is blocked up and the other has a corrugated steel window well. Southwest of the schoolhouse is a one-story frame garage building with vertical board siding and corrugated metal on the gable roof. The doors on the southeast gable end are gone and the opening is now boarded over.

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8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates	Builder/Architect
1899-1900	
check: Applicable Criteria: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D	
and/or	
Applicable Exception: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> E <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> G	
Level of Significance: <input type="checkbox"/> national <input type="checkbox"/> state <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> local	

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

Summary: On March 6, 1899, the trustees of Eberg School #3 in District 8 requested a new schoolhouse from the Board of County School Commissioners of Carroll County. In July of that year, they purchased the lot offered by Ananias Rineman for \$25.00 and sold the old lot and schoolhouse to the Union Sunday School for \$25.00. The Board created an emergency committee to have the building built in the Fall if a contractor could be found who would do it for no more than \$625.00. In late November, the schoolhouse was reported to be nearly complete. At this time it was decided, at the request of the patrons of Eberg School, to change the name to Fairmount. On 22 January 1900, the Fairmount Schoolhouse was inspected and accepted. The new building would remain of service for forty years, until it was sold and converted to housing.

Historic Period: Architecture, Education
Geographic Organization: Piedmont
Chronological/Development Period: Industrial/Urban Dominance A.D. 1870-1930
Resource Types: School

On March 6, 1899, the trustees of Eberg School #3 District 8 requested a new schoolhouse from the Board of County School Commissioners of Carroll County. As they had developed no real plans, they were told to confer with the people of their school district and return. Two months later, they met with the Board again and agreed to haul all materials to the building site for free. Ananais Rineman, David B. Utz and J.G. Ely each offered a 1/2 acre site to the Board for \$25.00. Action was deferred. In early June, the trustees met again and agreed to oversee construction of the school to ensure its proper erection. They also promised that it would be ready by the first of September. The Board felt that the old building and lot should be sold if they could realize at least \$25.00 to cover the cost of the new lot. A committee was appointed to oversee the project.

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In July of that year they purchased the lot offered by Ananias Rineman for \$25.00 and sold the old lot and schoolhouse to the Union Sunday School for \$25.00. At some point, bids were requested of contractors, and in August the committee reviewed the four they received. These were: George T. Noel of Westminster, \$600.00; J.S. Stricklin of Greenmount, \$619.00; E.B. Hann of Greenmount, \$628.00; and J.D. Dinst of Manchester, \$629.78. The Board decided to alter the size of the cellar under the southeast corner to 13' x 15' and provide a rear entrance to it protected from snow and water. Because of this, revised bids were needed. At the same time, \$1000.00 was appropriated to cover the construction of the house at Eberg and the enlargement of the school in Mt. Airy. In early September, the committee had only received one revision, from E.B. Hann for \$599.00, so he was awarded the contract. Hann refused to sign the contract until he had assurances that the Eberg trustees would haul the materials promptly. At this point, the record is somewhat confused. In October, John Stricklin, who apparently now held the contract for the school, wrote to the committee declining to perform the work because he could not get assurances that the hauling would be done promptly. He stressed that he would execute the contract if construction could be delayed until Spring. It would seem that Stricklin was awarded the contract at his first price after Hann refused to sign.

Apparently, the Board did not want to wait and created an emergency committee to have the building built in the Fall if a contractor could be found who would do it for no more than \$625.00. They must have found someone, for in late November the schoolhouse was reported to be nearly complete. At this time it was decided, at the request of the patrons of Eberg School, to change the name to Fairmount. On 22 January 1900, the Fairmount School was inspected and accepted. The Emergency Committee reported that they had settled with the contractor, but did not report who that was. Most likely it was John Stricklin, for a Mr. Stricklin reported at that meeting that he had raised \$7.25 toward a bell for the school and requested that the Board contribute \$3.00. They agreed. Thus, in less than a year the Fairmount School had gone from conceptualization to realization, but not without problems and not within the specified time. The new building would remain of service for forty years, until it was sold and converted to housing.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. CARR-1309

Record of Proceedings of the Board of County School Commissioners of Carroll County,
1899-1900.

Carroll County Land Records

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property .5 acres

Quadrangle name Lineboro

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

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11. Form Prepared By

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city or town Westminster

state Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

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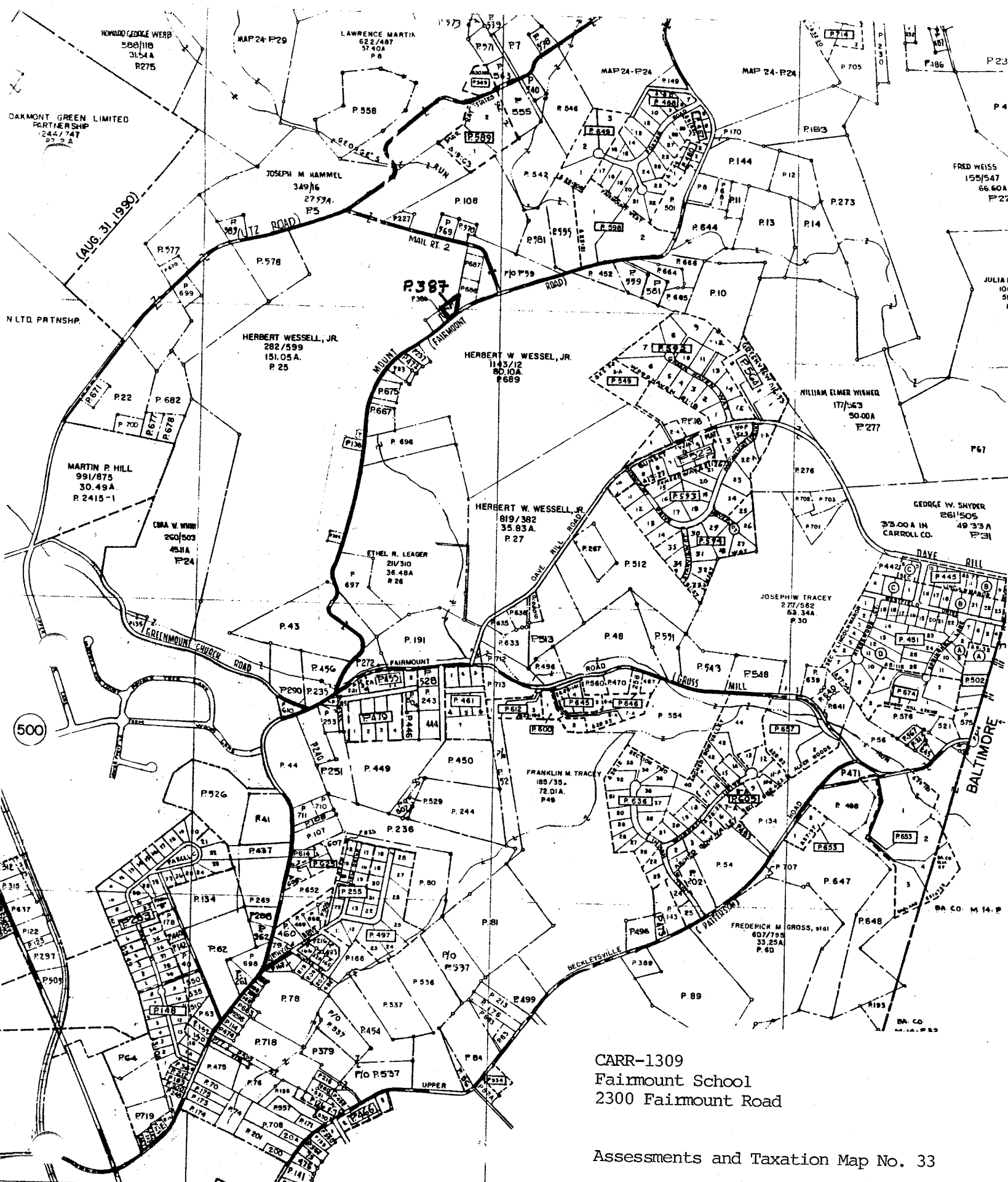
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2300 Fairmount Road
Fairmount School House

CHAIN OF TITLE

GRANTOR	HOME COUNTY	GRANTEE	HOME COUNTY	DATE	LIBER	FOLIO	TRANS ACTION	COMMENTS
Rosalie & Joseph Freeland	Baltimore County	Lester & Lola Reese	?	5-16- 1945	EAS 186	434	Deed fee simple	\$10.00 ½ a. was Fairmount School house, part of "Pleasant Spring"
George & Mamie Ingram	Carroll	Rosalie Green (now M. Joseph Freeland)	?	12-4- 1943	EAS 182	395	Deed fee simple	\$10.00 ½ a.
Board of Ed. of Carroll County	MD	George Ingram & wife Mamie	Adams	7-22- 1940	LDM 173	201	Deed fee simple	\$210
Ananias & Laura Rineman	Carroll	Board of Ed. of Carroll County	MD	7-17- 1899	JHB 89	538	Deed fee simple	\$25
John Hoover		Ananias Rineman		1-24- 1894	BFC 79	457		



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Fairmount School
2300 Fairmount Road

Lineboro Quad

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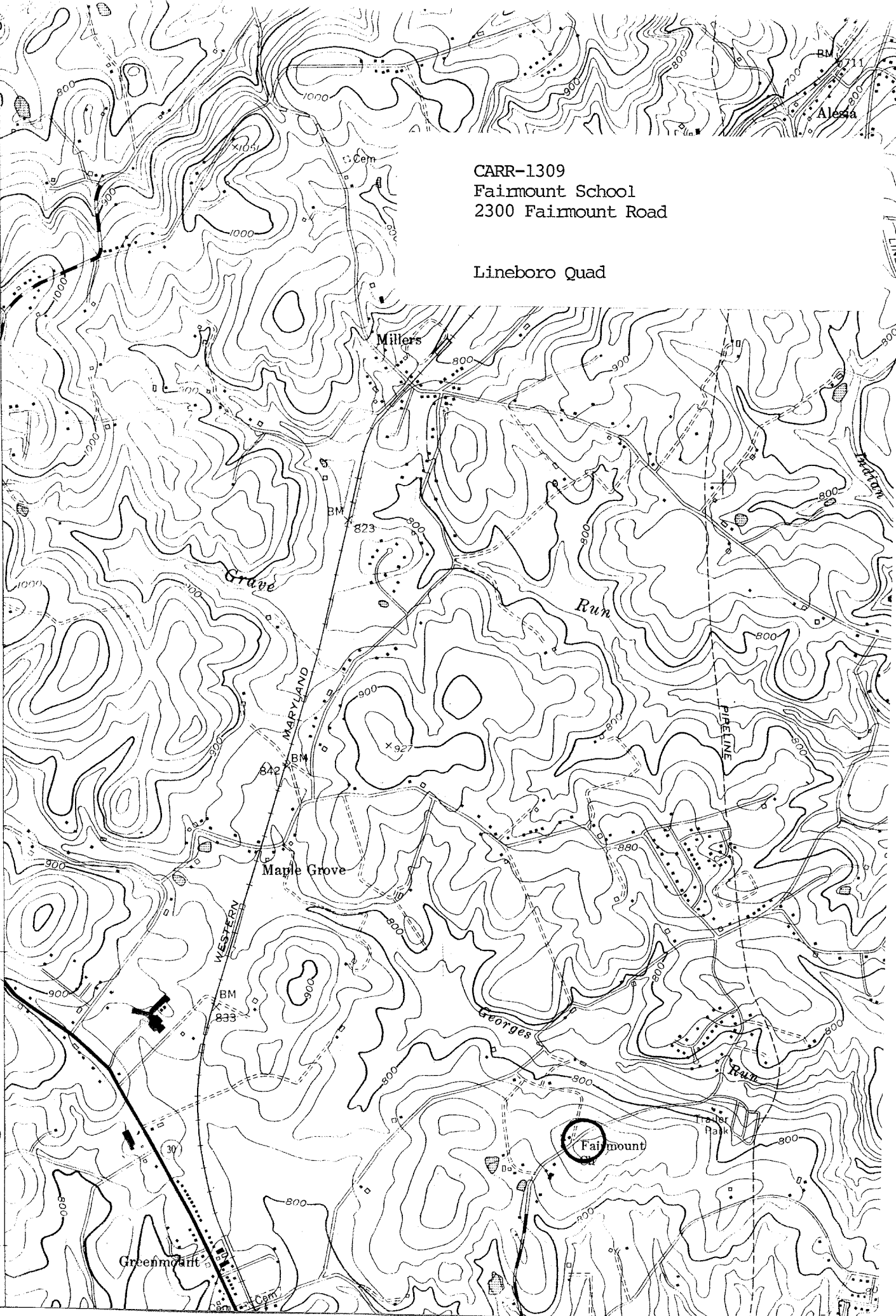
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Farmmount School
2300 Farmmount Rd.

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